Fee Schedule

Fees are associated with most of the data products and statistical services provided by the by Bureau of Health Informatics. Waiver of data fees is typically limited to local public health departments, state agencies, legislators, and media. However, even among these entities, data requests that require more than 4 hours of work, or that will be repeated on a periodic basis, are reviewed to determine if a fee will be charged. In general, researchers, including public health researchers, will be required to provide payment for the staff time and other costs associated with the data requests for their projects.

Note: For data requests involving copies or abstracts of vital records (birth, death, fetal death, etc.) certificates, please contact the <u>Bureau of Vital Records</u> for application and fee information.

Payment is required before the request can be filled. Failure to provide a copy of the application or an invoice with your check or money order may result in a delay in processing your request. Total charges will be based on the fees listed below.

Application for Missouri Vital Records or Patient Abstract System Data for Research Projects:

Requests for record-level data, including de-identified data, must be accompanied by an 'Application for Missouri Vital Records or Patient Abstract System Data for Research Projects'. Such requests will be assessed a fee of \$300, due at the time the application is submitted, to cover the costs associated with the initial application review by the Bureau of Health Informatics research staff. Applications received without the \$300 review fee will be mailed an invoice. However, the review process will not begin until the application/review fee has been received. If your study/project is approved, you will receive a second invoice detailing the total charges to fill your request based on the fees listed below. Once the final payment is received, your data will be provided.

Data and Programming Fees:

Personnel Time:	Less than one-half hour of analyst time - No Charge
	\$50 per hour of analyst time (1 hour minimum)

File Access:	Birth Defects	\$150.00
(Per Data Year)	Birth/Death Matched File ⁽¹⁾	\$200.00
	Births	\$100.00
	List of Names for Specific Date of Birth ⁽²⁾	\$50.00
	Deaths	
	List of Names for Specific Date of Death ⁽²⁾	\$50.00
	Divorces	\$75.00
	Linked Motor Vehicle Crash/Hospital Data	\$200.00
	Marriages	\$75.00

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Patient Abstract	
Inpatient	\$150.00
Outpatient	
Successive Pregnancy ⁽³⁾	
1978-1988	\$150.00
1989-1997	\$150.00
1998-2005	\$150.00

⁽¹⁾ This file contains all data years. One standard fee is charged regardless of the data years requested.

Other Miscellaneous Fees:

An additional **\$2.50 for processing and handling** will be added for most requests, unless otherwise noted. (Protocol Application review fees are not assessed P&H charges.)

Charges to MasterCard, VISA, and Discover are acceptable via Vital Chek and will include a \$5.50 service charge per each \$100 transaction. This fee is not retained by the Department of Health and Senior Services and is non-negotiable.

DISCLAIMER: Any requests for additional data elements or alterations to the original data file provided by the DHSS will result in additional fees. Upon receiving your data, we ask you to inspect the data as soon as possible. We will not be responsible for any DHSS errors after a 2-month period.

⁽²⁾A listing of persons who were born or who died on a specific date can be disclosed. The list will be for the entire state and will be in alphabetic order. It cannot be sorted or filtered in any other way. The only data elements the list will contain are the names as they would appear on the certificates and the specific date.

⁽³⁾The Successive Pregnancy file consists of birth and/or fetal death records of women who have had more than one pregnancy lasting 20 weeks or longer. Cause of death information and other selected data elements are added to the record in the case of the death of an infant up to the first birthday. The layout also includes a 'sibship' number that allows the researcher to identify pregnancy outcomes of the same mother, birth order within the sibship, and a multiple birth identifier. The file does not have all birth records; this file only includes records of mothers who have had more than one pregnancy.